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Canal Winchester Receives State Funding

CANAL WINCHESTER – The City of Canal Winchester is pleased to announce that \$2,139,095.00 has been awarded by the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) for the Tanktown Waterline and Roadway Reconstruction Project. Of the total award, \$1,059,244 will be in the form of a grant and \$1,079,851 will be in the form of a 0% interest loan. The remaining amount of the roughly \$2,300,000.00 will be covered by local funds.

The project consists of replacing over 11,000 feet of water mains on Beatty Ct., Beck St., Cherokee St. N., Cherokee Ct. S., Conrad Al., Elizabeth St., E. Fairfield St., Franklin St., Groveport Rd., Highland Ave., Jennings Dr., Kramer St., Park St., Trine St., Water St. West Al., and West St., that were installed as early as the 1940's. In addition, roads will be reconstructed on Beatty Ct., Conrad Al., Highland Ave., Kramer St., Jennings St., Water St., and West St. Construction will commence the early part of 2013.

“We are extremely excited about this project and the funding we received from OPWC” said Matt Peoples, Director of Public Service for the City of Canal Winchester. “Roads have needed repairs for a few years now, but until we were able to get funding to replace waterlines under those streets, it did not make any sense to do so” says Peoples. Residents may have recently seen utility locate markings, flags, stakes and survey crews in these areas beginning preliminary engineering work for this project.

The Ohio Public Works Commission provides grants and loans for local governments to build and maintain their infrastructure through the State Capital Improvement (SCIP) and the Local Transportation Improvement (LTIP) programs. Roads, bridges, culverts, water supply, wastewater systems, storm water collection and solid waste facilities are eligible for assistance. Local governments apply for funding through one of the nineteen District Public Works Integrating Committees in Ohio.

For questions related to the Tanktown Waterline and Roadway Project, please call the Public Service Department at 614-834-5100. Questions related to funding through SCIP and LTIP should be directed to the Ohio Public Works Commission at (614) 466-0880.

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